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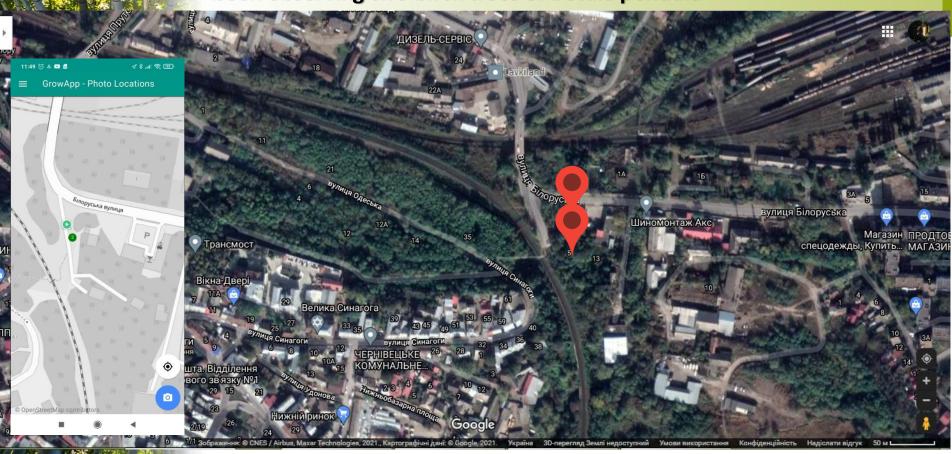
the pupils of the "Fundamentals of Phenology" group

Present to your attention observation:

# THE INFLUENCE OF POWER LINES ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TREE

BETULA PENDULA

## Since 2019, the pupils of the "Fundamentals of Phenology" group have been observing two birch trees of Betula pendula





Birch 1 - a tree that grows in the open;

#### Birch 2 - is a tree that grows under a power line.



Birch 1



Birch 2



# This year, phenological observations began on April 7, 2021.





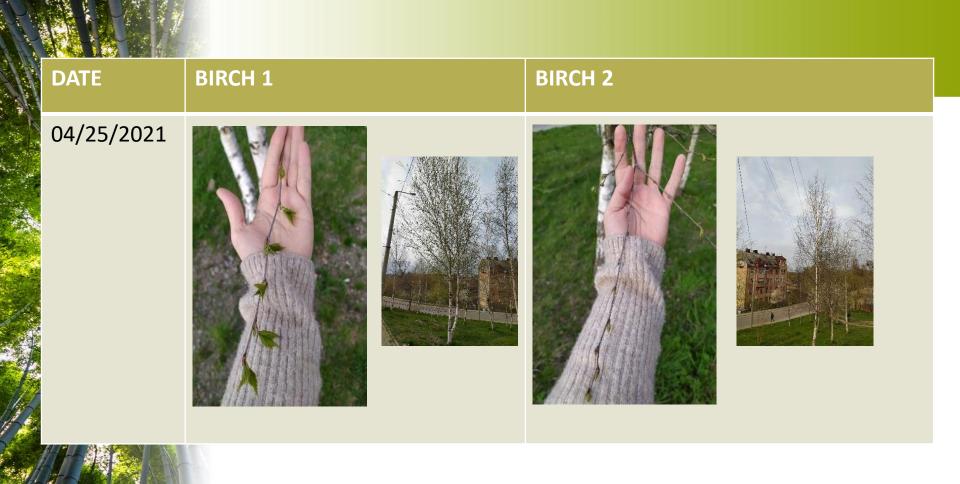
### As can be seen from the table at the beginning of the observations no difference is seen in the development of buds

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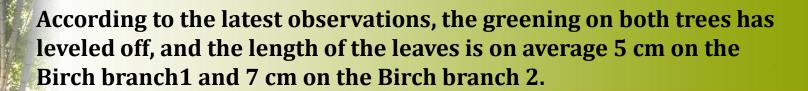


but in two weeks we can see the difference: in Birch 1 buds began to grow leaves, while Birch 2 leaves began to grow with a delay of 7 days, in a week.

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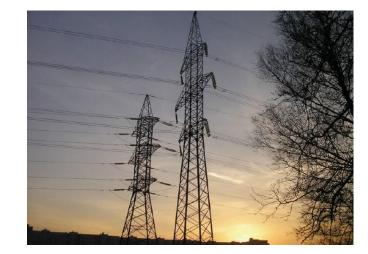


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Given the almost identical habitat of both trees, it was suggested that the difference in leaf development can be explained by the influence of the electromagnetic field (hereinafter - EMF).







Currently, the world scientific community recognizes that the electromagnetic field of artificial origin is an important significant environmental factor with high biological activity.

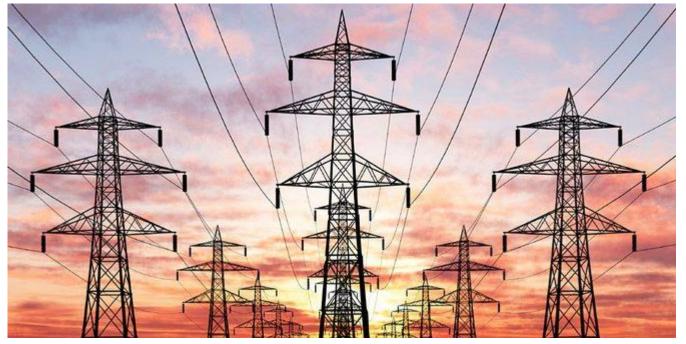




A sharp significant increase in the level of EMF causes stress of the adaptive-compensatory capabilities of the organism, long-term action of this factor can lead to their depletion, which will cause irreversible consequences at the system level [1].



Today, one of the most common sources of electromagnetic radiation are power lines (transmission lines) [1].





The influence of the electromagnetic field on the macroscopic parameters of plants is well studied. There was a slight damage to the leaf tissue at an exposure of 20 to  $50 \; kV/m$ .

#### Воздействие магнитного поля на клеточную структуру











Лист фасоли, сильно



Стебель фасоли, сильн магнитное поле



Experimental observations made in Florida on *Piriqueta caroliniana* (Walter) have shown that the fluctuation asymmetry (FA) \* of the leaves is higher directly under the transmission line wires and at some distance from it.



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Similar results were obtained for the asymmetry of soybean leaves Glycine max L. growing in the fields of Ohio, USA.





#### **Conclusions:**

Thus, in conclusion, we can say that the assumptions made by us during the observations are reasonable and require further more thorough research.





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